

The Energy FinAnswer®

Frequently Asked Questions:

What is The Energy FinAnswer? The Energy FinAnswer is an innovative energy efficiency program that provides a menu of options. In Utah you can receive incentives for up to 50 percent* of measure costs for electric energy efficiency upgrades in new and existing facilities. The program also provides technical expertise on the evaluation and installation of proven energy efficient technologies and concepts.

How can I benefit? You can get a more reliable, productive, and energy-efficient facility with lower operating costs. Additional benefits can include improved equipment reliability, reduced operating and maintenance expenses, improved comfort, improved worker productivity, increased production capability, improved product quality and the opportunity to be recognized as a company that is protecting the environment.

How do I enroll in The Energy FinAnswer? Contact your account manager, call our Energy Services Hotline at 1-800-222-4335, or e-mail energy.expert@pacificorp.com to discuss your plans and request a Letter of Intent.

Who makes the decisions regarding design and implementation? You do. Our goal is to give you information to weigh your options, both technical and financial. We don't try to make decisions for you. The energy analysis process is sometimes complex, depending on the technology considered. So it requires the collaboration and expertise of many people. Your only obligation is to ensure that the project complies with Utah Power's guidelines.

What is an Energy Analysis? An Energy Analysis is a comprehensive energy study, paid for by Utah Power, that includes recommendations for energy efficiency improvements and provides a projection of the expected energy savings and project costs.

Who decides on the scope of work and selects and pays the engineering consultant? We jointly develop the scope of work and discuss selection of engineering consultants. Utah Power contracts with the engineering consultant to perform energy analysis work and pays for the study.

What if I already have an Energy Analysis? If you already have an Energy Analysis, it is subject to Utah Power review and approval. Utah Power will not reimburse you for the cost of the study.

What costs are eligible? Eligible measure costs include all costs directly related to the energy efficiency improvements, including equipment cost; customer-paid engineering, design and commissioning fees; materials; supplies and installation costs. Replacing equipment at the end of its useful life or equipment required to meet codes or other government regulations is not eligible. Costs to dispose of old equipment are not eligible. Measure costs are subject to Utah Power approval.

How is the incentive determined? Initially, the incentive is estimated based on energy and demand savings and measure cost estimates from the energy study. It is the lesser of \$0.12/kwh annual energy saving + \$50/kw average monthly on-peak demand savings, or 50 percent of measure costs. The final incentive paid is based on the same formula using energy and demand savings and measure cost results from the post-installation commissioning, inspection and invoice review.

How is the demand portion of the incentive determined? The demand incentive is \$50/kw and is applied to the average monthly on-peak demand savings. Average monthly on-peak demand savings is estimated using engineering analysis as described below:

■ Average monthly on-peak kw savings = Average monthly on-peak kw for the baseline system – average monthly on-peak kw for the proposed system, where Average monthly on-peak kw = (sum of the 12 monthly maximum on-peak kw) / 12, where monthly maximum on-peak kw = highest of all 15 minute average kw for on-peak hours (7 a.m. - 11 p.m., Monday through Saturday), where 15 minute average kw = (sum of kwh used over 0.25 hour) / 0.25 hour.

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